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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6514

BILL NUMBER: SB 171

NOTE PREPARED: Feb 3, 2014

BILL AMENDED: Jan 30, 2014

SUBJECT: Community Corrections Pilot Project.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Young R Michael

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: 2nd Reading - 1st House

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
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 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) The bill requires a community corrections program to develop a plan of collaboration with the county probation department as a condition of receiving financial assistance from the Department of Correction (DOC).

It permits the Commissioner of the DOC to award additional financial aid to counties with an approved community supervision collaboration plan.

(The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Criminal Law and Sentencing Policy Study Committee.)

Effective Date: July 1, 2014.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: (Revised) The bill may require additional expenditures by community corrections programs and probation departments to develop and submit a community supervision collaboration plan to the DOC and the Indiana Judicial Center by July 1, 2017. The costs will vary by county, and certain counties that already have combined or coordinated programs may have minimal costs.

Additional Information:

(Revised) *Probation Department* - The probation officers are appointed and overseen by a court (county, city, or town) and their salaries are paid by the county, city, or town. The departments may serve more than one court, and the court may appoint supervisors within the department. Probation officers have a set of mandatory duties, such as conducting prehearing and presentence investigations, assisting the courts in making pretrial release decisions, and assisting the courts, prosecuting attorneys, and other law enforcement officials in making decisions regarding the diversion.

Under current law, probation departments are required to prepare an annual statistical report that is made available to the Judicial Conference upon request.

Community Corrections - Community corrections programs are established through state legislation to relieve overcrowding in state prisons by diverting offenders from incarceration. Another purpose is to encourage and enhance coordination for local correctional efforts. Community corrections programs are overseen by advisory boards, which contract with not-for-profit agencies for services. The programs may have one or more of several components, including home detention, work release, community transition, mental health programs, and addiction intervention.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: State Treasurer.

Local Agencies Affected: Probation departments; Community corrections programs.

Information Sources: 2014 Approved Budget for the Consolidated City of Indianapolis, Marion County, Adopted by the Indianapolis-Marion County City-County Council October 14, 2013; Pilot Project Proposal, Consolidation of the Marion Superior Court Probation Department with the Marion County Community Corrections Agency, presented to the Criminal Law and Sentencing Policy Study Committee, December 19, 2013; <http://www.indy.gov/eGov/County/Probation/Pages/home.aspx>

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